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Re: Picillo Site/Split Sampling with Generators

Dear John:

As we discussed today, Richard Hendey of Olin Corporation and other representatives of the generator defendants indicated to me at a recent meeting that they have some substantial questions regarding the work plan presently being developed by EPA and DEM for the upcoming sampling. Specifically, concerns were raised regarding the use of 40 C.F.R. Part 261 Appendix VIII as an analytical parameter for some of the samples. Mr. Hendey and others observe that testing protocols and procedures have not been developed for many of the constituents on this list. Moreover, the cost of testing for all of these items will be, quite frankly, extraordinary.

As I understand it, EPA and DEM, along with Rhode Island Analytical Laboratories, are presently in the process of developing a quality assurance procedures plan, which should be completed within the next few weeks. Given the generator group's concerns regarding the implementation of the sampling program, we hereby request an opportunity to meet with EPA and DEM representatives to discuss this matter. We believe that the generator group possesses technical expertise which can be of assistance in developing a thorough yet realistic sampling program.

Please contact me at your earliest convenience regarding this.

Very truly yours,

regory L. Benik

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